

Richard K. Doan—TV-Radio Humphrey-Scott Debate Next Monday

The only formalized nationwide television debate of the 1962 election campaigns will be staged on the NBC network next Monday evening at 8:30.

The debaters, chosen by the national chairmen of the two major political parties, will be Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey of Minnesota, speaking for the Democrats, and Sen. Hugh Scott of Pennsylvania, representing the Republicans. Neither is a candidate in the 1962 races.

NBC described the hour-long encounter as "the first nationwide debate during a mid-term election year between two non-office-seeking representatives of the two parties."

The format of their confrontation will be patterned after the fourth Nixon-Kennedy encounter in the "great debates" of 1960. The two party spokesmen will be questioned by a panel of four NBC news correspondents.

The idea of the debate was initiated by William R. McAndrew, executive vice-president of NBC News, the network said.

The live broadcast will be carried simultaneously on NBC radio.

Meanwhile, ABC announced that an informal debate of national issues in the current Congressional campaigns will be televised next Sunday afternoon on the network's "Issues and Answers" series.

The protagonists will be Sen. Vance Hartke, D., Ind., and Sen. Kenneth Keating, R., N. Y.

ABC said the Senators had indicated they will discuss Cuba, Berlin and the national economy in answer to questions from a program moderator.